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# SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Submitted herewith is a copy (with English translation as appropriate) of an Office Action dated December 8, 2006 from the China Patent Office in counterpart foreign application No. 200480004934.7 filed March 1, 2004.

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- A. \_ a statement as specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).
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